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Calgary Flames captain Jarome Iginla signs a team poster in Calgary yesterday. More than a week after they were eliminated from NHL playoff contention, the players cleaned out their lockers yesterday. More NHL coverage, page 13.

Cleaning the lockers

Iginla says team can win with what they have next season

Jarome Iginla believes the Calgary Flames can be a Stanley Cup contender with the personnel they have, plus the addition of one of two players with offensive skill.

The Flames packed their bags at the Pengrowth Saddledome yesterday and embarked on a long summer after missing the NHL playoffs for the first time in six seasons.

Iginla, 32, has won two Olympic gold medals for Canada, but he has yet to win a Stanley Cup in his 14-season career with the Flames. The captain has three seasons remaining

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Jarome Iginla

on a contract that pays him \$7 million a year.

"We do have good pieces and we're not that far off," Iginla said.

"I think we can do it here. I'm definitely not giving up on that."

Iginla insists he wants to remain in Calgary, but accepts the possibility the Flames could ask him to waive his no-trade clause.

"It's professional sports

and organizations need to do what they feel they need to do to be the best they can be," Iginla said.

"If they want me here, I do want to be here."

Head coach Brent Sutter would not assess the performance of individual players yesterday, saying that would be part of the season analysis.

"This is a terrible feeling to have and you certainly

don't to have this feeling again and we're all responsible and we all have to work together to fix it," he said.

Among the highlights for the Flames were the play of goaltender Miikka Kiprusoff, who put up solid numbers of a 2.31 goals-against average and a save percentage of .920, along with the play of defencemen Marc Giordano and Ian White.

"I think we were a little better than a playoff team," White said. "It's a shame we didn't get in this year because we do have some talent in that locker room."

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Keep your eyes on the road in Alta. — or else

LEGISLATION Driven to distraction? You'd better not be in Alberta.

The province has introduced a sweeping new law that bans nearly everything behind the wheel except driving.

Using hand-held cellphones, texting, reading, writing and personal grooming while piloting a vehicle could all draw a \$172 fine under the new Distracted Driving Amendment Act, expected to come up for debate this fall. A conviction won't bring any demerit points.

The proposed law makes an exemption for hands-free phones.

Citizen-band radios are also exempt for commercial purposes and for search and rescue services.

GPS units are allowed, but fiddling with them while driving would be prohibited under the new legislation.

Transportation Minister Luke Ouellette characterized the law as "practical, effective and enforceable."

"We are sending a strong safety message to all Albertans: When you're in your vehicle, your focus must be on driving," he said in a statement.

Most other provinces have already put forward legislation that heads down this road or have signalled their intentions to do so.

Police in Ontario started handing out tickets in February and, during the first month, laid 470 charges and issued 468 warnings.

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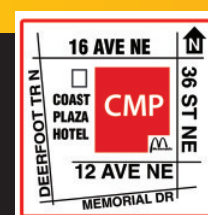


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Police warn of released sex offender

Police are warning Calgarians about the release of a sex offender into the Calgary area after he has served a three-year federal prison term for sexual assault. Police warn Matthew Ralf Harks, 27, has criminal convictions for offences against young girls. Officials say Harks did not know his victim and used manipulation to gain access to children.

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News in brief

DECISION UPHOLD The Alberta Court of Appeal upheld a young Calgary man's murder conviction for killing another young man at a house party with a pick axe in 2007. Marko Miljevic, 21, was convicted in December 2008 of second-degree murder in the death of 17-year-old Matt McKay. Miljevic does have the right to bring his appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada.

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Snowstorm packs a punch

Weather dislodges siding on downtown building, knocks out power

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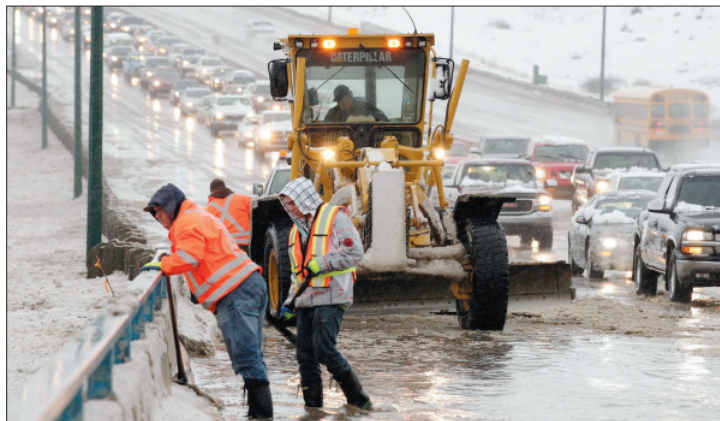
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Calgary police cordoned off a downtown block yesterday over the noon hour after extremely high winds from a spring storm front caused a large piece of siding to hang from a building.

Duty Insp. Michael Watterston said police and fire crews locked off the area around 703 - 6th Ave. SW as a precaution while crews secured the building.

"It was a building that is already constructed and just because of the high winds, some metal siding was hanging off," Watterston said.

The winds, which reached gusts of nearly 75 km/h in Calgary, came on the edge of the same storm that left tens of thousands of people without power for much of yesterday as winter returned to wallop southern Alberta with heavy wet snow and whip-



Crews work at a hectic pace yesterday on expansion joints to stop flooding on the Whoop-Up Drive bridge deck over the Oldman River in Lethbridge. Southern Alberta was hit with a major snowstorm overnight, causing electrical power outages and school closures across the area.

ping winds.

The mayor of Lethbridge advised 90,000 residents to stay put and wait out a widespread outage that enveloped much of the city and surrounding communities.

FortisAlberta spokeswoman Jennifer Mac-

Gowan said about 10,000 customers in a large area of southern Alberta, not including Lethbridge or Medicine Hat, were without power.

Power was restored to most of Lethbridge by late yesterday afternoon.

The spring storm roared

in with a vengeance late Tuesday afternoon. Snow continued to fall overnight and by morning many people had to abandon their vehicles as they became bogged down in drifts as deep as 30 centimetres.

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Connelly running for mayor

POLITICS The dance card for the mayor's ball just added one more.

Rookie Ward 6 Ald. Joe Connelly took square aim at past decision-making at city hall as he announced his candidacy yesterday for mayor, telling supporters: "Five years ago we were a great city; now I think we're merely a good city."

Connelly, former vice-president of Tourism Calgary and longtime city businessman, questioned the sense of projects like the controversial pedestrian bridge, saying he would run the city more like a business, with a focused set of priorities.

"Without a strong sense of what we cherish most about living here, we simply float around aimlessly in the air of complacency," he said.

Connelly joins Paul Hughes and Jon Lord as the only declared candidates.

Ward 12 Ald. Ric McIver is expected to announce his bid for mayor later this month, and there's speculation former mayoral candidate Alnoor Kassam will also enter the race.

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AHS execs paid premiums on top of bonuses, Liberals say

PAY Alberta Liberals are accusing Alberta Health Services executives of "double" and "triple" dipping in the form of huge bonuses.

Official Opposition Health critic Kevin Taft says that huge bonuses are just the beginning for some well-paid AHS executives, "at least five of whom are also being paid tens of thousands of dollars in premiums every

year."

"Double-dipping is bad enough," Taft said. "Triple-dipping is an abuse of the public trust."

On Tuesday, the Alberta Liberals exposed the huge bonuses being doled out to AHS executives and Taft now alleges at least five AHS executives were paid premiums between \$25,480 and \$79,200.

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Questionable expenses by school officials uncovered

AUDITOR GENERAL High-ranking officials at Alberta's colleges and universities are being warned to watch how they use their credit cards and expense accounts.

Auditor general Merwan Saher has found a long list of questionable expenses, including golf, dinner and liquor at a staff retreat for Grant MacEwan University.

He also found improper approval for some credit-

card expenses and a lack of clear policies on how expenses should be filed.

At the University of Calgary, two senior managers submitted \$11,000 in hotel and credit-card expenses without details on how the money was spent.

A review of \$55,000 in expenses found nearly half this money was reimbursed without detailed receipts.

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Australians appoint Calgarian to honorary consul post
Australia has appointed Calgarian Paul Nelson to serve as the new honorary consul that will now be based in Calgary. **METRO CALGARY**



A Calgary-based humanitarian organization released a report outlining human rights violations in Burma.

Calgary group sheds light on Burma horrors

Compelling reports documenting the experiences of internally displaced people within Burma were released yesterday by Calgary-based Partners Relief and Development Canada.

For more than 40 years, Burma's military government has forced civilians from their homes and villages, according to the report, and a Burmese refugee spoke at a conference in Calgary regarding

her experiences.

"Our hope is that the report will draw awareness in the Canada about the extreme human rights violations right now in Burma," Greg Toews of Partners Relief and Development Canada said of the report.

Between July 2009 and January 2010, 52 teams surveyed more than 93 people from the ethnic Karen and Shan communities for the report.

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News in brief

SCIENCE An Alberta Health Services doctor is getting a little help from a friend — a robotic friend, that is. An Exoskeleton robot called KIN-ARM is helping Dr. Sean Dukelow of the Foothills Medical Centre determine the complete impact of strokes. It will be part of Dukelow's work assessing stroke and brain-injury patients.

SCHOOL CLOSURE In a 4-3 decision, the Calgary Board of Education opted to shut down Sir William Van Horne High School in a school board trustee move that will surely send students scrambling to find other schools, say those opposed to the closure.

REFUND Alberta Health Services has asked the manufacturers of the H1N1 vaccine for a refund after about 700,000 doses of the affected vaccine — worth \$2.2 million — expired, according to the government. The vaccines are being removed from doctors' offices, pharmacies and clinics. Those doses already given, however, were safe.

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A Toronto bus driver has been charged with assault after getting into a dispute with a passenger over a fare. The driver allegedly attacked the 18-year-old man, breaking a window on the bus. The victim suffered non-life-threatening injuries. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Canada



Judge demands posters' identities

A Nova Scotia judge has ordered a newspaper and Google Inc. to cough up whatever details they possess about the identities of people who posted comments anonymously about Halifax's two top firefighters. The two are considering a lawsuit. The judge said the court doesn't "condone the conduct of anonymous Internet users who make defamatory comments."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Slain officer's family seeks changes in privacy laws

MURDER The family of a police officer who bled to death 30 years ago while his killer taunted police pleaded yesterday for changes to privacy laws.

They said the laws hide information on which the murderer made a partially successful bid for parole.

Backed by police groups, the widow and grown children of Toronto Const. Michael Sweet said Craig Munro's records should be as public as the killing was.

"Mike was murdered in a public place, Craig Munro's trial was public information," said Sweet's widow, Karen Fraser.

She added: "However, as soon as Craig Munro was in prison, all information concerning Craig Munro



Karen Fraser, widow of Const. Michael Sweet, speaks in Toronto yesterday. Looking on is their youngest daughter Nicole Sweet.

became private information."

In winning four unescorted passes into Kelowna, B.C., from his jail in Agassiz, B.C., Munro, 58, claimed to have reformed and accepted responsibility for his crime.

He told a parole hearing he was drunk and high during the standoff.

Munro is serving a life sentence for Sweet's first-degree murder on March 14, 1980. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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New Guergis shock

'Third party' private eye talks of cash and cocaine

Toronto private investigator Derek Snowdy has apparently laid out allegations involving Helena Guergis, husband Rahim Jaffer and Toronto businessman Nazim Gillani.

According to the Toronto Star, the central allegation Snowdy presented is that Gillani, an accused fraudster, claimed to Snowdy that three offshore companies in Belize — a tax haven — had been "reserved" to hold cash for Guergis and Jaffer.

Snowdy said he also told the Tory lawyer that Gillani boasted he had cell-phone pictures of Jaffer and Guergis partying with high-class escorts when cocaine was being snorted.

"I talked, they listened.

Police erred?

- Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty suggests police made mistakes during Rahim Jaffer's arrest last fall.
- Reports say Jaffer was strip-searched and denied access to his lawyer.
- Charges of drunk driving and possession of cocaine were later withdrawn by the Crown. Jaffer was fined \$500 for careless driving.

They asked a lot of questions," said Snowdy of the interview at a Conservative party lawyer's office.

"They asked me back the next morning and then by noon came the announcement."

The announcement was that Guergis was resigning

as minister of state and Prime Minister Stephen Harper had kicked her out of the Tory caucus and called in the police.

The Star has learned that Snowdy was the "third party" Harper said had made the allegations.

Guergis, presented by the Star with a synopsis of the allegations Snowdy made, emailed that she could not comment.

"I would very much like to answer ... and in due course I will try.

"I'm sure you can appreciate it is very difficult to answer allegations based on innuendo ... Nevertheless, I intend to defend myself to the fullest extent to ensure that the record is set straight."

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NASA is considering whether an emergency spacewalk by the crew of space shuttle Discovery is needed to clear a stuck valve in a critical cooling loop at the International Space Station, officials said yesterday. The nitrogen valve failed to open Tuesday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

World



'Third World' doesn't fit new reality

The head of the World Bank says it is time to stop using the term "Third World" to refer to developing countries and recognize they are an essential part of a new, fast evolving, multipolar international economy. Robert Zoellick, left, said the global economic crisis of 2009 showed the categorization of First and Third Worlds, donor and supplicant, leader and led no longer fit. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

'A complete mess'

Death toll passes 600 in China earthquakes

China has poured workers and equipment into a mountainous Tibetan region in a bid to find survivors more than a day after strong earthquakes killed more than 600 people and injured thousands.

The series of quakes flattened buildings across remote western Yushu county and sent survivors, many bleeding from their wounds, flooding into the streets of Jiegu township. State television showed block after devastated block of toppled mud and wood homes. Local officials said 85 per cent of the buildings had been destroyed.

Survivors spent the night outdoors, where temperatures fell below freezing and aftershocks continued,



Rescue workers search for survivors at the site of a collapsed building in Yushu county in western China's Qinghai province.

residents said. With limited medical supplies and doctors, survivors with broken limbs could do no more than wait for help.

"This feels like a war zone. It's a complete mess. At night, people were cry-

ing and shouting. Women were crying for their families," said Ren Yu, general manager of Yushu Hotel in Jiegu, who said he felt at least five aftershocks overnight.

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Thousands left homeless in India

DISASTER A cyclone packing winds of more than 160 km/h demolished tens of thousands of mud huts in northeastern India, killing at least 89 villagers, officials said yesterday.

The cyclone struck close to midnight on Tuesday in northeastern parts of West Bengal and Bihar states, uprooting trees and snapping telephone and electricity lines, West Bengal Civil Defence Minister Srikumar Mukherjee said.

Hundreds of people were injured and many thousands left homeless.

Devesh Chandra Thakur, Bihar state's minister for disaster management, said there was no cyclone warning from the weather department, so villagers were unprepared.

Television footage showed uprooted trees lying across shanties and sheets of corrugated metal ripped from the roofs of homes. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Another eruption for Iceland volcano

BLAST A volcano under a glacier in Iceland erupted yesterday for the second time in less than a month, melting ice, spewing smoke and steam, closing a major road and forcing

hundreds of people to flee rising floodwaters.

Authorities evacuated 800 residents from around the Eyjafjallajökull glacier as rivers rose by up to three metres. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

News in brief

POLAND The sense of unity spawned by the plane crash that killed Poland's president and dozens of the country's top officials has begun to fray, with controversy flaring over the choice of a burial site and suspicion spreading about the cause of the accident.

SCANDAL The Vatican yesterday tried to defuse growing anger over comments from the Pope's top aide on Monday linking homosexuality to pedophilia. A Vatican spokesman said the offending remarks weren't medical assertions, but based on statistics.

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This homework sounds appealing

Relating

Steve
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You learn so much on this beat. I'm informed, for example, that April is "Couple Appreciation Month." No doubt you

already have big plans.

If the idea of yet another contrived opportunity to fall short of your partner's expectations — one with a duration 30 times that of Valentine's Day — infuses you with a certain familiar dread, I can assure you that you are not alone.

Sex therapist Teesha Morgan, online host of the K-Y Intimacy Experiment, tried to allay my panic by explaining the difference.

"Valentine's Day is more

of a singular day that has a lot to do with the female, you know, wooing the girlfriend or the wife, or buying her flowers," she says. "I think Couple Appreciation is more of a joint thing for the man and woman. And longer lasting."

The K-Y Intimacy Experiment is an attempt to help couples rediscover what got them together in the first place.

It began in December with a survey of about 1,000

couples in relationships of three years or more. Of the respondents, 56 per cent reported their sex lives had taken a dive over time. Ninety per cent said they'd be willing to try something new, but few knew what.

That's where Morgan's experiment comes in. She takes three couples through a 12-week course of exercises designed to get them out of their usual routines and, hopefully, back into each other.

Watching the episodes online, it's light, fun viewing, employing many familiar reality TV tropes as couples take dance lessons, learn massage techniques and go shopping for lingerie together.

"Sometimes we get in little ruts in our relationships and throughout life, and being able to spice things up with even something simple like buying a new type of lingerie and going outside of your box can make

huge strides in a relationship," Morgan tells me. "Bringing back that little spark of something new I think is really important. You can't do the same thing over and over again and expect different results, right?"

You can check out the K-Y Experiment and download homework assignments for couples at youtube.com/ky.

Steve Collins offers his best guesses on relationships for Metro every two weeks.

Views

Left? Right? Honk if you have an opinion

FourthWave

Canice
Leung

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I took a road trip this past weekend to the political heart of America: Washington, D.C. I knew I'd be in for some political amusement, between the circus of health-care reform, teabaggers, and financial meltdown.

And how! Seemingly

everywhere I turned everyone had opinions, flapping flags or placards; everything was up for debate!

I passed billboards and signs, either for or against everything: Bank bailouts, mortgages, abortion, politicians, Obama, Supreme Court nominations. Though my political stripes run liberal, I couldn't help but laugh at all the hyperbolic statements equally: A Prius in front of us was emblazoned with an "ITMFA" sticker — that is, "Impeach The Motherf—er (that is, George Bush) Already" next to an Obama-Biden 2008 de-

cal. The pickup truck next to it displayed a "Stop Kerry" relic (circa 2006) next to a Confederate flag.

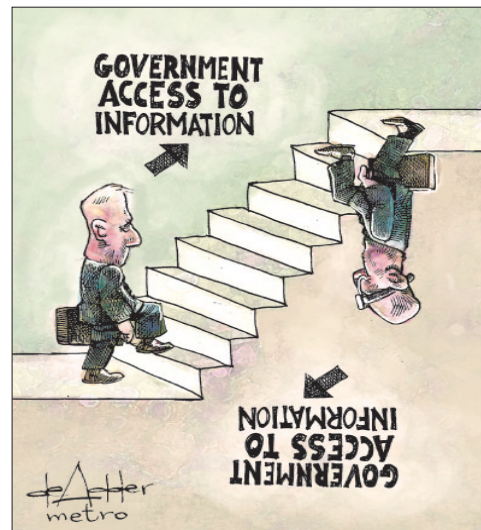
Perhaps it's all a byproduct of American values, or the two-party system that encourages people to take sides; maybe a country built on a people's revolution and the First Amendment can only inspire outspoken, black-and-white zeal.

We're complex human beings, capable of careful discussion and give-and-take. How can anyone possibly distill an opinion on, say, the health-care reform bill (which has more pages

than War And Peace) into a catchphrase? The reductive quality of a bumper sticker doesn't change anyone's mind — they are merely rallying points for the fervent, rather than talking points for the open-minded.

Though it's not my country's politics to meddle in, consider how Canadian politicians take cues from the U.S. Maybe it is worth a cautionary word or two. If only I could fit that statement on a bumper sticker.

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Rising fuel prices a sign of optimism in China

China raised fuel prices yesterday for the first time in five months, showing confidence it can control inflation. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Business

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Suffering from success

U.S. buyers have been snapping up the iPad so quickly that Apple Inc. is delaying the tablet computer's overseas debut a second time, the company said yesterday.

Apple said it will now start taking orders for the iPad from international buyers, including Canadians, on May 10.

In January, it said the iPad would be sold worldwide in late March. It started selling them in the U.S. on April 3, but delayed plans for the international launch until late in April.

Word of the second delay didn't faze Apple investors, who are eager to see signs the iPad is selling well. Apple shares rose 1.3 per cent in pre-market trading.



Best Buy employee Edwin Valadez brings Apple iPads out to be stocked before an Apple Store opens in Chicago.

Apple said it has delivered more than 500,000 iPads in the U.S. and has taken "a large number" of orders for the coming mod-

els that can go online over cellular broadband rather than solely via Wi-Fi.

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Canwest's good news won't help asset sale

EARNINGS Canwest Global Communications Corp. has tightened its latest quarterly losses, but observers suggest the improved results will have little impact on the sale of its assets.

The Winnipeg-based media conglomerate is in the process of selling its newspapers and television stations, and while blockbuster earnings might have pushed some prospective buyers to ramp up their bids, such an outcome was never likely, some said.

"Nobody is surprised by this," said Duncan Stewart, director of research and analysis at DSAM Consulting.

On Tuesday, Canwest reported a \$46.1 million loss

for the quarter ended Feb. 28, tightening a loss of \$1.44 billion a year ago when the company recorded an \$895-million charge to goodwill and a \$185-million charge to intangible assets.

Revenue totalled \$478.7 million, down from \$493.4 million.

Canwest operates a string of big city dailies, as well as the Global TV network, numerous specialty TV channels, websites and other assets.

The company filed for court protection from creditors last fall under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act after amassing billions in debts and getting squeezed by the recession.

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Pipeline project gets green light

OIL A U.S. government report finds there would be limited environmental impact from the TransCanada Keystone XL crude oil pipeline that would cross 500 kilometres in western South Dakota.

The pipeline could carry up to 900,000 barrels of crude oil daily from Canada to Oklahoma and Texas.

The U.S. State Department compiled a draft environmental-impact statement because the pipeline originates in Canada and requires a presidential permit.

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In brief

APPOINTMENT Abu Dhabi's government has named the brother of the former managing director of the world's largest sovereign wealth fund as its new head, after last month's death of his sibling in a glider crash. Emirates state news agency WAM says Sheikh Hamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan will take over the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority.

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It appears the Chinese state oil company's deal to gain a stake in Alberta's Syncrude oilsands operation gives it a veto over whether to process bitumen in the province or export it. The government of Alberta has been trying to encourage companies to process the bitumen in the province. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Oilsands deal gives China a veto

Loonie closes above \$1 US

The loonie closed above parity with the U.S. dollar yesterday for the first time since May 2008, finishing up more than a quarter cent at 100.08 cents US.

The loonie has been supported by the relative strength of the Canadian economy, rising commodity prices and confidence that Canada has not taken on more debt than it can handle — worries that persist for the United States and many European countries.

Those worries have driven down the value of the greenback and euro and made the loonie look more attractive to global investors.

vestors.

"This time, the strength of the Canadian dollar is largely reflecting strong fundamentals in terms of Canada, whereas last time it was largely a U.S. dollar weakness story," said Craig Wright, chief economist at RBC Capital Markets.

The emerging contrast between the relatively strong Canadian economy and its weaker counterpart south of the border — and the expectation that the Bank of Canada will raise its key lending rate before the U.S. Federal Reserve — "lit the fire under the Canadian



dollar" throughout March, said Wright's colleague, assistant chief economist Paul Ferley.

Economists don't expect the loonie to rise to the heights it reached around \$1.10 US back in November 2007, but figure it will wa-

ver around parity for a time.

RBC expects the dollar to finish the April-to-June period around \$1.02 US but then sees it falling back down to about 97 cents US as interest rates begin to rise in the U.S.

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Groups take tarsands battle to watchdog

ENERGY Green groups are taking their complaints about the Alberta tarsands to an environmental watchdog set up under the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Environmental Defence Canada is spearheading the move to enlist NAFTA in the fight against the tarsands.

The group says it has filed a formal submission with the NAFTA Commission for Environmental Co-operation.

It complains that the federal government isn't

enforcing its own pollution rules against tarsands projects.

Matt Price of Environmental Defence says the trade body could take the failure to enforce the rules as a kind of subsidy for the tarsands, a no-no under the trade pact.

At the very least, he says, the submission could shame the government into action.

Price says tailings ponds, which hold tainted waste water from the tarsands plants, leak billions of litres into streams and rivers every year.

The federal Fisheries Act prohibits pollution of fish-inhabited waters.

Price says the government has to be prodded to action. "It's failing to do anything, really, to clean up the tarsands," he says.

It could take months for the commission to decide whether to hear the complaint and a final decision could take years.

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Barrick mine can continue for now

MINING Barrick Gold Corp. is welcoming a U.S. court decision that will allow the Toronto-based gold miner to forge ahead with its Cortez Hills mine in Nevada.

A coalition of opponents had asked for a complete halt of work at the project while the U.S. Bureau of Land Management conducted a study of certain aspects.

Instead, Judge Larry Hicks came up with what Barrick calls a "more tailored" injunction.

Barrick won't shift ore off the Cortez Hills site for processing while the study is being conducted and made available for public comment.

The amount of water pumped from the mine will also be limited.

Barrick said it expects the study and public comment to be completed prior to the end of this year.

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Incentives may hurt car industry

AUTOS The growing use of incentives as a weapon in the fierce battle between automakers for market share could "significantly undermine" the industry's recovery, according to a report by the DBRS rating service.

When one automaker offers incentives such as zero per cent financing or cash rebates to get customers into its showrooms, its competitors generally have little choice but to follow suit.

This is especially true right now, as last year's bankruptcies at General Motors and Chrysler and ongoing difficulties at Toyota mean a big chunk of the North American market is "up for grabs," DBRS said.

Toyota has been offering incentives such as low lease rates, zero per cent financing and rebates on several models to win back customers after it was forced to recall more than eight million vehicles worldwide due to problems with accelerator pedals and inconsistent brake feel.

"Toyota has historically been quite reluctant to provide such incentives; however, its recent use of significant vehicle incentives effectively forced many other (automakers) to follow suit," wrote Kam Hon, auto industry analyst with DBRS.

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RIM buys back shares

TECH Research In Motion Ltd. announced yesterday a buyback of two million common shares through private agreements with a non-related third-party financial institution.

The buyback, representing 0.36 per cent of common shares outstanding, is in addition to the 3.9-million shares that RIM has purchased through the

Nasdaq since the beginning of April.

The BlackBerry maker said the latest buybacks substantially complete the \$1.2-billion US share-repurchase program it announced last November.

At the time, RIM said it planned to buy up to 21-million shares, or 3.6 per cent of those outstanding.

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Bombardier recovering slowly

AEROSPACE Bombardier likely faces a slow recovery while other Canadian aerospace companies begin to prosper as a result of the rebound in commercial aviation, industry analysts said yesterday.

"There's at least another year, year-and-a-half of sluggishness in the business jet market. Regionals got at least another sluggish year and then probably no real growth after that," Richard Aboulafia of the Teal Group said in an interview.

The Montreal-based manufacturer's new CSeries aircraft promises to move it into a new mar-

ket segment. But an expected response by Boeing and Airbus to introduce new, more fuel-efficient engines on their popular 737 and A320s could cut into CSeries territory.

Bombardier believes it can capture half of the 110- to 149-seat market over the next 20 years.

Yesterday, Bombardier announced that Pluna Linhas Aereas Uruguayas S.A. has signed a follow-on firm order for three CRJ900 NextGen regional jets and has taken options on an additional six CRJ900 NextGen aircraft.

Based on the list price, the value of the firm order

was \$120 million US.

Among other positive signs for Bombardier is growing international air passenger traffic. Traffic by the world's airlines was up 9.5 per cent in February.

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Business in brief

BROADCASTING Corus Entertainment Inc. is making programming adjustments aimed at luring more men to the women-focused W Network. A recent change in

the way the broadcast TV industry tallies its viewers revealed guys were tuning out when their female partners tuned in.

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CFL gets new two-point rule for OT

The CFL's board of governors has approved a rule change requiring teams to go for a two-point convert in overtime rather than kick for a single point. The proposal was brought forward by the league's rules committee. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Sports



Blues keep Payne as coach

The St. Louis Blues took the interim tag off head coach Davis Payne's title yesterday. Payne, left, who was named interim head coach on Jan. 2, is the 23rd coach in franchise history. The 39-year-old, who is currently the youngest coach in the NHL, guided the Blues to a 23-15-4 record after taking over from Andy Murray. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Mavs set up Texas showdown

NBA The Chicago Bulls are headed to the playoffs. The San Antonio Spurs are headed right back to Dallas.

The Bulls secured the final NBA post-season spot last night, beating Charlotte 98-89 to set up a first-round series against LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers. Chicago finished a game ahead of Toronto, which owned the tiebreaker and would have advanced if the Bulls lost. The Mavericks' 96-89

victory over the Spurs gave Dallas the No. 2 seed and dropped San Antonio to seventh, so the Texas rivals will meet in the post-season for the second straight year. The Spurs knocked off the Mavs last season.

Miami claimed the No. 5 seed with a 94-86 double-overtime victory over New Jersey and will face the Boston Celtics. Milwaukee is the sixth seed and plays No. 3 Atlanta.

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Sports in brief

NHL The Atlanta Thrashers are making major changes after missing the playoffs for a third straight year. Co-owner Bruce Levenson says head coach John Anderson and assistants Randy Cunneynworth, Todd Nelson and Steve Weeks will not return for another season.

HOCKEY Austin Czarnik scored twice as the United States beat Switzerland 5-1 for its first win of the IIHF World

U18 Championship yesterday. **NFL** The Denver Broncos have traded wide receiver Brandon Marshall to the Miami Dolphins for a second-round pick in next week's draft and another second-rounder in 2011. Marshall caught 101 passes last season for 1,120 yards and a career-best 10 TDs, but his four-year stint in Denver was filled with run-ins with the law and the team.

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Sens surprise Pens

Second-period surge puts Ottawa up for good

(Ottawa leads 1-0)

Senators 5 Penguins 4

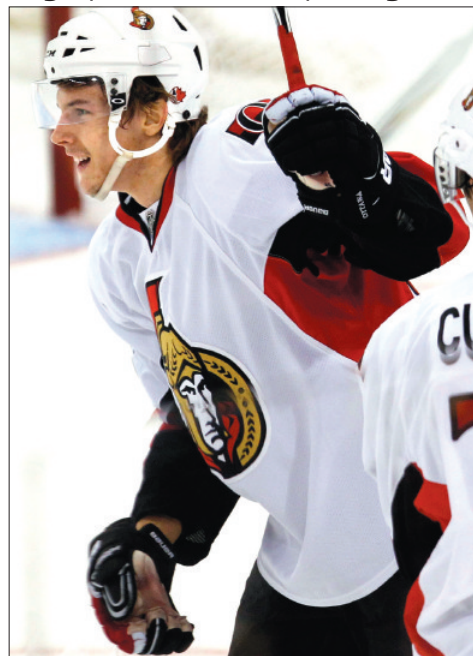


Erik Karlsson and Chris Kelly scored on power plays in the second period and the Ottawa Senators ignored their underdog tag, surprising the Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins with a 5-4 victory in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference first-round series last night.

Evgeni Malkin scored twice following penalties on Peter Regin, the first barely three minutes into the game, but the Penguins looked mostly flat and uninspired for long periods in beginning their bid to become the NHL's first repeat champion since Detroit in 1998.

Sidney Crosby, who piled up 15 points in his final five regular-season games, had three assists but was held without a shot until getting two in the third period and the Penguins — seemingly unprepared for Ottawa's defensive pressure — were held to a single shot during a stretch lasting 21 minutes 53 seconds. Ottawa constantly matched shutdown defencemen Anton Volchenkov and Chris Phillips against the Crosby line.

The Senators, one of the biggest underdogs of the



Ottawa's Erik Karlsson celebrates his second-period goal last night against Pittsburgh during NHL playoff action.

first-round qualifiers, went from being down a goal to being up 3-1 during that period as Regin, Chris Neil and Kelly scored — quieting a crowd of 17,132 that clearly arrived expecting another long playoff run by the home team.

Goalie Brian Elliott gave up four goals on 21 shots in his playoff debut, but made several big stops on Alexei Ponikarovsky and Malkin in the second period as the

Penguins pressed to tie it following Malkin's second goal at 10:22.

Instead, the 19-year-old Karlsson restored Ottawa's two-goal lead less than three minutes later, collecting a rebound of a shot from the left point by Matt Cullen that rebounded off Mike Fisher in front and wringing it into a wide open corner of the net to make it 4-2.

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Philadelphia goalie bedevils New Jersey

(Philadelphia leads 1-0)

Flyers 2 Devils 1



Brian Boucher had 23 saves in his first playoff start in eight years and the Philadelphia Flyers beat the New Jersey Devils 2-1 in Game 1 of their first-round Eastern Conference series last night.

Chris Pronger and Mike Richards scored second-period goals as the Flyers rode the momentum of claiming the NHL's last playoff berth on the final day of the regular season to yet another win over New Jersey.

While the Flyers are the No. 7 seed in the conference, they won five of six games against the Devils in the regular season and second-seeded New Jersey had few answers in the post-season against a rock-solid Boucher. With the win, the Flyers grabbed home-ice advantage.

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NFL commissioner Roger Goodell says he will decide soon whether to punish Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger for his off-the-field troubles. Goodell says the NFL will be "thorough" in looking at the Roethlisberger incidents. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Tiny crowd watches Jays get thumped

MLB RESULTS

White Sox 11 Blue Jays 1



BASEBALL The Toronto Blue Jays had high hopes when they acquired Brandon Morrow in the off-season. So far, he hasn't delivered. Morrow allowed seven runs in four innings yesterday as the Chicago White Sox defeated the Blue Jays

11-1 before 10,610, the smallest home crowd for the Blue Jays since they moved into the Rogers Centre in 1989.

The Jays obtained the right-hander in an off-season trade with the Seattle Mariners, but his first two starts for his new team have been disappointing and have left him with a 12.00 earned-run average.

Blue Jays manager Cito Gaston said Morrow (0-1) needs to be better.

"He just didn't locate at

all," Gaston said. "He struggled out there pretty much like he did over in Baltimore (his first start) except for the first inning. He pitched three good innings in Baltimore, but tonight he just struggled. He just got the ball up at certain times and just didn't hit his spots."

Carlos Quentin led the White Sox with a career-best six RBIs, including his third career grand slam in Chicago's four-run fifth inning. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Toronto Raptors, from left, Hedo Turkoglu, Marco Belinelli, Jarret Jack and DeMar DeRozan sit on the bench during second half action against the New York Knicks last night at the ACC.

Win can't save Raps

NBA RESULTS

Knicks 113 Raptors 131



DeMar DeRozan had a career-high 24 points as the Toronto Raptors beat the New York Knicks 131-113 last night, but fell short of reaching the NBA post-season.

Toronto (40-42) did what it had to do, and did so in entertaining fashion. With injured forward Chris Bosh

(facial fractures) watching from the sidelines in what could be his final game as a Toronto Raptor, his team set a season high in scoring — buoyed by 24 points from Andrea Bargnani and 21 from Amir Johnson.

But Toronto also needed Chicago to lose in Charlotte, and the Bulls didn't comply — they defeated the Bobcats 98-89 to lock up eighth spot in the Eastern Conference.

Chicago will open the playoffs against the top-seeded Cleveland Cavaliers, while the Raptors will miss

the post-season for the seventh time in nine seasons.

Sonny Weems added 18 points, Jose Calderon 15 and Marco Belinelli 14 for Toronto, which swept the season series against New York.

Bill Walker had a career-best 28 points to lead the Knicks (29-53), who went out meekly in their ninth consecutive losing season. Danilo Gallinari made five threes and finished with 22 points, while David Lee added 19 points, 11 rebounds and five assists.

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Riders give Baggy extension

The Saskatchewan Roughriders signed wide receiver Rob Baggy to a contract extension yesterday. Baggy, a non-import, is heading into his third season with the CFL club. He signed a two-year extension with an option. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Rush vs. Roughnecks among key NLL matchups

It's time once again for National Lacrosse League general managers to get out their calculators.

The parity-plus pro circuit enters the second-last weekend of its regular season with 128 possible scenarios on how the final standings could shape up.

In the East Division, a lot will be decided Friday night when the first-place Orlando Titans (8-5) play the visiting Buffalo Bandits (7-7) and the second-place Toronto Rock (8-7) face the visiting Rochester Knighthawks (7-7).

Orlando has clinched a playoff berth but could fall to as low as fourth if it doesn't get its act together after being blown out 17-7 at home by West leader Washington last weekend.

"We're happy we've clinched but we're well aware we've still got work to do," says Titans head coach Ed Comeau. "We were embarrassed with that loss and we know we have to come out and play a lot better."

Buffalo enhanced its chances of seeing post-season action by defeating Toronto 13-10 last Saturday.

The Edmonton Rush (9-5) play at home against Calgary (8-6) on Friday with a home playoff date at stake.

Edmonton is coming off a 14-10 home loss to Colorado, while the Roughnecks rallied from a 7-4 halftime deficit to edge Colorado 12-11 after getting Tracey Kelusky and Kaleb Toth back. The offensive leaders had missed three games due to injuries.

"I'm sure it'll be a great game," Rush GM-coach Derek Keenan said during the weekly NLL coaches' conference call yesterday. "For us, it would be great to earn a home playoff game but we don't want our guys to feel the weight of the world is on their shoulders."

Coach Dave Pym promises

that his defending-champion Roughnecks will be ready.

"We're fortunate to have a veteran group of guys who have experienced a lot of rivalries and challenges throughout their careers," says Pym.

Calgary's Josh Sanderson

"We're fortunate to have a veteran group of guys who have experienced a lot of rivalries and challenges throughout their careers."

Calgary coach Dave Pym

has a league-best 91 points. thick of things in the East and can enhance its

chances of a post-season spot with a win at Colorado (4-10) on Friday. The Blazers' 13-8 home win over Minnesota last Saturday kept alive its chances of catching Orlando.

Boston goalie Anthony Cosmo's 9.47 goals-against average is tops in the

league.

Minnesota (5-9) can clinch a playoff berth with a home win over East cellar dweller Philadelphia (4-10) on Saturday.

"We want to finish the season on a high note," says Wings coach Dave Huntley. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Today Metro Homes is focusing on Gardening, from making your garden look good, to feeling at home in your garden. Spring's here so give us a read and then get outside and get your hands dirty in the garden.

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Naturally fight pests this year

Introducing good bugs to fight off the bad ones can lead to a beautiful garden

SYLVIA PUTZ
for Metro Canada



It's a brave new world for gardeners and insect pests that bother them.

"There's a growing understanding that chemicals are not the answer," says

Dr. Michael Brownbridge, research director of Horticulture Production Systems at the Vineland Research and Innovation Centre in Ontario.

"A few years ago, biological pest control was thought of as a sideline, but not anymore," he says.

"We seem to have reached a tipping point, and now the time is right for the use of more biological controls," he says.

He knows biological solutions to insect pest problems aren't yet easy to find for the average gardener, but he is confident that

will change in a year or two. "People are just getting into it. It's still a big learning curve. But we're here to try to meet those challenges, to provide people with good information and tools."

The Vineland facility is one of a few in Canada to

do research on biological ways to control pest infestations, particularly in grass and ornamental species. Information on the topic has traditionally been scattered and disconnected, but Brownbridge and his team, often working with other researchers across the country, are collaborating to improve and develop new ways to control pests without using harmful chemicals.

For example, consider the lowly nematode, a naturally occurring tiny worm that happens to feed on grubs, particularly the white grub that can decimate lawns by munching away the roots from underneath. Brownbridge and his team have been working with a group of Kwantlen College researchers, in Langley, British Columbia, to develop a system of best practices to apply nematodes to lawns.

Better ecosystem

- One of the best ways to avoid bugs in the first place is to ensure that you have a vibrant, resilient ecosystem, complete with healthy soil and a wide variety of beneficial insects, such as bees, spiders, ladybugs, and lacewings. Here are some pointers on how to do this.
- Do not spray broad-scale insecticide since it kills all garden bugs.
- Grow flowering plants that produce nectar and pollen, similar to those found in wild-flower mixtures, such as Black-Eyed Susans and other native meadow flowers. These attract beneficial bugs that pollinate or eat plant-munching bugs.
- Add organic compost annually and work it into the soil to keep soil organisms healthy and active.
- If you must use a pesticide use a gentle solution.

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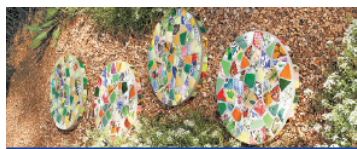
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Spring into the garden

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With a few warm weekends already under our gardening tool belts, yards have begun begging for some early attention.

Business is blooming at gardening centres, with outdoor season having kicked off early this year. Amin Dattoo, manager at Sheridan Nurseries Ltd. in Toronto, called this surge of early-season business "phenomenal."

While readying for the season by cleaning up grass, tending to flower beds and lining up vegetables to plant, so starts the annual strategizing of yard design, as home owners contemplate how to make their backyards sing louder than the birds in their bird-baths.

"The backyard is your outdoor living room," said Dattoo, who has been with Sheridan Nurseries for 35 years. "The pride in accomplishing a nice garden — it's something that not only you enjoy, it's something that you feel good about."

Dattoo said among the usual gnomes, trellises and ironwork decor items to decorate outdoors, pots are a plenty this year.



Left: The **Arches Lantern** has a bell shape that recalls the French cloches used to shelter young plants from frost. Pottery Barn, \$28-\$99, potterybarn.com. Right: Crafted of lightweight and weather-resistant resin, these **Grecian Urns** go for \$59 to \$119 and come in stone, chocolate and matte black, Ballard Designs, ballarddesigns.com.

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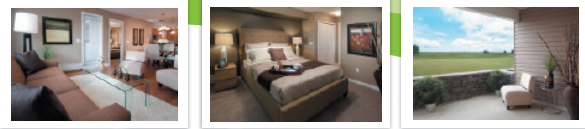
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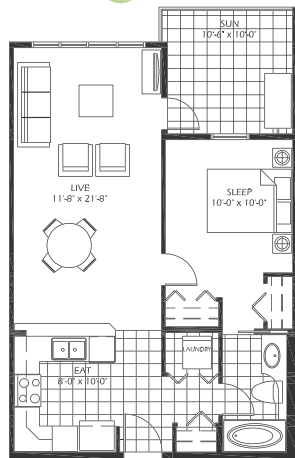


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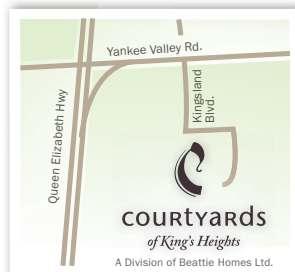
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For us, the idea of a green roof, however small, was exciting. But we didn't want water leaking through the roof, or roots growing into the ceiling, or a building that collapsed under the weight of damp soil and plants. So the idea, so casually agreed up in the beginning, ended up being a lot more work than we had imagined.

The big problem was that there just wasn't a lot of information available at the time. But that's changing. Many cities, for instance, have recently come up with

green roof standards as part of a set of regulations aimed at increasing the amount of green space in the city.

A green roof, for those who don't know, is just as it sounds — plants growing on a flat-topped roof. It can be elaborate, such as it might be on a condo rooftop, with planter boxes, walking paths, bushes and small trees, with built-in irrigation. Or it can be simple, and may consist of hardy, low-growing plants without access, like that on a porch overhang or other flat-roofed sections of a house or shed.

The biggest benefit of a green roof for a large city is

that it increases the space that can absorb rainwater, reducing the amount of water that runs quickly off vast areas of impermeable surfacing and pours into sewers, overwhelming water treatment plants. Other direct benefits for home owners and urban dwellers are reduced energy costs, longer-lasting roofs, better soundproofing, visual appeal, increased habitat for birds and butterflies, increased property value, and reduced urban heat island effect.

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Don't miss these finds at yard sales

Vintage draperies: Make a bedskirt and large pillows, slipcover a chair or simply frame the fabric if it is special.
Champagne buckets: Plant an orchid in it or use it to hold kitchen utensils on the counter. **KARL LOHNES/FOR METRO CANADA**

Time to go bohemian, Gypsy chic

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There's a new look starting to emerge in home decor stores; it's a colourful, Gypsy-like style that reminds me a bit of the psychedelic '70s era. Bright colours, bold prints and flea market style is like taking grandma's furniture and giving it new perspective; imagine a Victorian chaise lounge reupholstered with a high-tech fabric, or an old Queen-Anne dresser being painted high gloss pink. This sort of decorating can help add a lot of character to a bland interior and also inject antique-shapes with

a modern esthetic. Many of the home and fashion retailers have this look; Anthropologie, Pier1, Elte and Urban Outfitters are just a few culprits. Its mixing the best of antiques with the contemporary trends of tomorrow.

With yard sales and flea markets just around the corner, it's a great time to scout for vintage decorative pieces that you can give new life to. Its not

only a green and chic way to decorate, it also a great way to have a customized look in your home and save some money.

Here are a few fun projects that you can take on

Paint an old dresser: Use high-gloss paint to add shine with a high-fashion paint colour like dark grey or bright yellow and attach new hardware

for character.

Transform vintage drapery fabrics into pillows and a bedskirt for the bed. Need a sewer? Ask the local drycleaners, inquire at a fabric store or call your grandma.

Add a modern shade to an old lamp. Places like Walmart and Zellers have incredible lamp shades for sale; I suggest embellish

ishing them with a simple strip of ribbon or glueing bright silk flowers for the bohemian look.

Re-frame funky artwork with an up-to-date frame. An alternative would be to paint the existing frame with a splash of colour.

Things to look for at yard sales

Birdcages: Turn into a

lamp, grow plants in them, attach to wall as storage.

Camel back sofas: The curvy shapes are trendy but remember to re-upholster in a funky fabric rather than anything traditional.

Karl Lohnes is passionate about good decor and wants to help you have a beautiful home, no matter what your budget or style.



Anthropologie's Bergere Chair takes an updated look with a large floral print.



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Biker-chic gear

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Low cost, high style

Affordable lines from notable names continue to loom large

It seems there is no shortage of top-tier designers looking to bring their high-end style and fashion sensibilities to low-cost lines.

Since Karl Lagerfeld teamed up with Swedish fashion chain H&M on an exclusive collection in 2004, the number of high-fashion notables lending their names and creative talents to special collections for mass retailers has skyrocketed and shows no signs of abating.

American designer Zac Posen is among the latest to join the affordable apparel fold. He is creating a collection for U.S. retailer Target, slated for release

later this month, following Jean Paul Gaultier and sisters Kate and Laura Mulleavy of Rodarte.

Gap recently announced the launch of the second collection of Stella McCartney for Gap Kids and Baby Gap. The British designer is among a host of notables, including Roberto Cavalli, Jimmy Choo and Madonna, who have followed Lagerfeld in the highly popular collaborations with H&M. The special collections for the retailer have been known to spark frenzied shopping sprees among customers clamouring for the limited-edition pieces.

Canada's Alfred Sung has been among those carving

out his own niche in affordable apparel with his line for Zellers.

Pure Alfred Sung launched last year with professional separates and accessories. It has expanded this spring and summer to bring casual wear, footwear, outerwear and accessories into the mix, with apparel pieces retailing for under \$40, and select pieces in plus sizing.

"I wanted to provide the average customer with something that's really sophisticated, classic without being boring and with a little bit of surprise here and

there; something that's easy to wear dedicated to a wide variety of body shapes," Sung said in an interview describing the new collection, which runs the gamut from casual tees and jeans to dressier separates, including boyfriend jackets, printed blouses and slim skirts.

Sung said there is "obviously" a need in the marketplace for affordable apparel. "The economy has not been the greatest in recent years, and I think you've got to cater to people that can't afford to buy expen-

sive clothes anymore," he said. "There's a need out there for affordable clothes that look sophisticated, well-designed with great quality at an unbelievable price."

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The Alfred Sung Pure line is available at Zellers

Right: Pure Alfred Sung jacket (\$39.97); polka dot blouse (\$22.97); straight leg pant (\$29.97).



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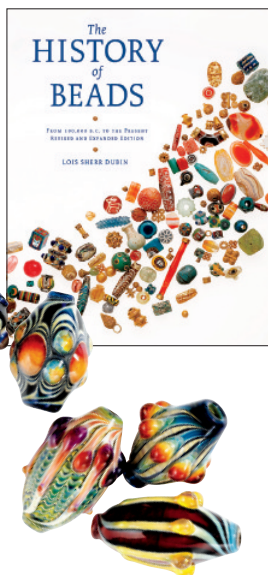


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Entertainment

Juno lineup

Deadmau5, Hedley, and Newfoundland and Labrador natives Damhnait Doyle, Great Big Sea, and Kim Stockwood have joined Sunday's Juno broadcast. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Strong debut for Young Rival

Young Rival

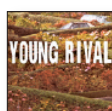
Album: Young Rival

Label: Sonic Unyon

Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕⊕

THE GUITARS CRASH

through the garage doors of this album with the raw power of early Iggy Pop. Yet the vocals are nasally British-invasion-era Kinks and Yardbirds. It's a mix that could only come after six or seven years playing the gritty bars of Hamilton, Ont. Young Rival plays tight, four-minute bottle drainers, not quite retro-Mod, not-quite punk. And they're very good at what they do. If the guitars



don't lead you to the edge, the bass and drums will push you over. A very strong album debut.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

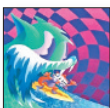
MGMT

Album: Congratulations

Label: Columbia/Sony Music

Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕⊕

IF EVERY BAND followed up a successful album the way MGMT has, the music world would be a much more interesting place. The group's first release since the popular electro-pop Oracular Spectacular is a complete departure from the sound that made them famous.



Instead of club-ready dance hits, the group takes up Beach Boys, psychedelia, new wave and more. Some will find it harder to find the hooks, but when you do you'll see this is an excellent, well-crafted, unpredictable and still infectious listen.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Cancer Bats

Album: Bears, Mayors, Scraps and Bones

Label: Distort

Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕½

DON'T LET THE cover of the Beastie Boys' Sabotage fool you — Cancer Bats merely tacked it for kicks.



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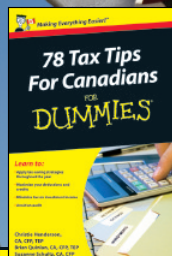
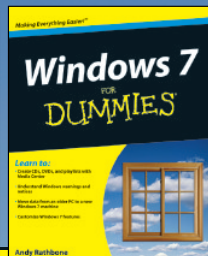
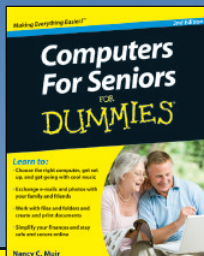
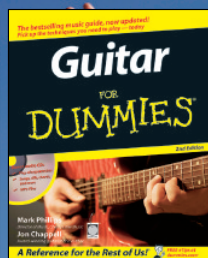
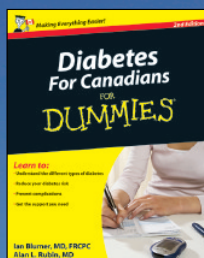
What precedes it is 13 slabs of crusty, punk-infused metalcore that strikes like a brick to the face. Having tasted success both here and in the U.K., the Toronto band's third album definitely sets them up to become the anomaly in Canada's aggressive music scene. You can still hear the sum of their influences loud and clear (Pantera, Cursed, Converge), but originality is a non-issue when it comes to the catchy choruses and unbridled vehemence that hemorrhage from within Cancer Bats.

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Kourtney (left) and Khloe Kardashian have pose nude in a racy new ad for their Miami store, Dash. The E! reality stars — together with two "Dash Dolls" employees — are covered with airbrushed bodysuits that say "Dash Miami." USMAGAZINE.COM



When You're Strange opens new Doors

When You're Strange

Director: Tom DiCillo

Stars: Johnny Depp (narrator)

Classification: STC

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada



Jim Morrison and The Doors probably didn't need another film dedicated to their all-too-brief legacy (particularly after Oliver Stone's drug-fueled naked Indian epic), but Tom DiCillo's lovingly crafted documentary is an interesting watch nonetheless.

The rock-doc is refreshingly "talking head" free with no tired nostalgic interviews from bandmates or rock 'n' roll journalists pontificating on the band's place in history. Instead



Footage of Jim Morrison as seen in the new documentary When You're Strange.

the film is comprised almost entirely of rare footage, photographs, and recordings of The Doors.

The audience is invited into the studio, backstage,

on the road, and at home with the band and the result is a surprisingly intimate portrayal held together by some admittedly pretentious narration

from Johnny Depp.

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Fans of the band are sure to be blown away by the immense amount of footage that director Tom DiCillo (Living In Oblivion) managed to dig up, but it's unlikely that the film will win over any Doors detractors.

Morrison's legacy is still

questionable and while the film positions him as a rock 'n' roll poet, it's hard to ignore all the stoned and drunken ramblings in vintage interviews that suggest he was a little less than a genius.

DiCillo has crafted quite an interesting documentary that offers an intriguing portrayal of The Doors story; however, he's also clearly a fanboy and his lack of objectivity can be irritating.

There's no denying that the band made some amazing music that has stood the test of time, but does Morrison really deserve to be described as "an ancient shaman" as Depp mumbles in the narration?

When You're Strange is a film made for and by Doors diehards and everyone else will probably be left scratching their heads.

Forbidden love forbidden words

BOOKS Stephenie Meyer, the hottest author for young people since J.K. Rowling, has a new link to the creator of Harry Potter: a place high on the list of books most complained about by parents and educators.

Meyer's multimillion-selling Twilight series was ranked No. 5 on the annual report of "challenged books" released yesterday by the American Library Association. Meyer's stories of vampires and teen romance have been criticized for sexual content.

A library association official also thinks that the Twilight series reflects general unease about supernatural stories.

"Vampire novels have been a target for years and



Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson nuzzle in the face of fresh danger in the film The Twilight Saga: New Moon based on Stephenie Meyer's novels.

the Twilight books are so immensely popular that a lot of the concerns people

have had about vampires are focused on her books," said Barbara Jones, director of the association's Of-

fice for Intellectual Freedom.

Christian groups for years have protested the themes of wizardry in Rowling's books, which don't appear on the current top 10.

Topping the 2009 chart was Lauren Myracle's IM

series, novels told through instant messages that have been criticized for nudity, language and drug references.

Last year's No. 1 book, And Tango Makes Three, by Peter Parnell and Justin Richardson, is now No. 2, cited again for its story about two male penguins adopting a baby. Third was Stephen Chbosky's The Perks of Being a Wallflower, for which the many reasons include drugs, suicide, homosexuality and being anti-family.

Also cited were such perennials as J.D. Salinger's The Catcher in the Rye (sexual content, language), Harper Lee's To Kill a Mockingbird (language, racism), Alice Walker's The Color Purple (sexual content, language) and Robert Cormier's The Chocolate War (nudity, language, sexual content).

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Weisz pick for Jackie

Cable networks catching up

Conan's move to TBS latest example of growing trend

If you believe the headlines, Conan O'Brien's decision to sign with cable's TBS is "shocking."

Really, though, only Fox should be shocked — at how O'Brien was spirited away at a time the network acted like it had little competition for the late-night comic's services. It's another example of how cable networks, while not quite on par with broadcasters, are getting closer every day.

"I certainly don't think anybody going to cable today is shocking," said Michele Ganeless, Comedy Central's executive vice-president and general manager.

"Whether it's comedy or drama, cable has been leading the way over the last five years."

As a cable guy, O'Brien has plenty of company. Oprah Winfrey is starting her own network, ending her broadcast show and committing to appearances at her place. Sarah Palin has programs at both



TV host Conan O'Brien has surprised the entertainment industry by signing a deal for a show with cable network TBS.

Fox News Channel and Discovery. The college football national championship is moving to cable.

The phrases "broadcast network" and "cable network" are swiftly becoming

an anachronism.

Less than 10 per cent of American homes received TV signals by broadcast in February, or 11.1 million, the Nielsen Co. said. In 1999, a quarter of Ameri-

can homes were broadcast homes, and had no access to TBS, USA, TLC and 24-hour news.

Now, TBS is seen in more than 100 million of the nation's 114.9 million television homes. Given the trouble that some Fox affiliates were having in clearing time for him all across the country, O'Brien may debut before more people next fall on TBS than he would have at Fox.

"There is no broadcast-versus-cable war anymore," said TBS President Steve Koonin. "It only exists in the minds of the advertisers. This will be the third year that Koonin tells advertisers about his fall schedule during the same May week that has traditionally been set aside for the broadcasters. His message is plain: Treat us equally."

"Cable has had parity in late-night for a while," said television analyst Steven Sternberg. "It just hasn't had it in the press."

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Columbia snags rights to bestselling trilogy

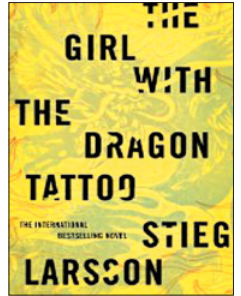
Columbia Pictures has bought the English-language movie rights to the popular Millennium trilogy by late crime novelist Stieg Larsson, a Swedish film production company said Wednesday.

More than 12 million copies of Larsson's trilogy, which starts with *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo*, have been sold globally.

Yellow Bird AB, which made Swedish-language movies based on the books, will work with Columbia Pictures on the Hollywood versions. Filming is expected to start next year.

Yellow Bird CEO Mikael Wallen said the movies will be produced by Scott Rudin, whose credits include the Academy Award-winning *No Country for Old Men*, while *Schindler's List* scriptwriter Steve Zaillian will adapt the books for the big screen.

Wallen said no director had been picked yet and did not specify the terms of the sale. "It's a little bit complicated, since we need someone who wants to, and can, do all three films," he said.



"There is a shortlist and a decision should be made soon."

Larsson, who worked as an investigative journalist and anti-racism campaigner, never got to experience the success of his books. He died in a heart attack at 50, just before the first book was published in Sweden.

Set in a Nordic landscape of serene lakes and lonely red cabins, Larsson's trilogy follows tattooed computer hacker Lisbeth Salander and journalist Mikael Blomkvist as they get entangled in a series of murder mysteries.

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	417	406	48 SPEED	Bullrun (HDTV)		Bullrun (HDTV) (N)	Pass Time	NASCAR Hub	Fast Track to Fame	Bullrun (HDTV)	
	552	543	20 YTV	iCarly	To Be Indie	iCarly	Prank Patrol	Malcolm-Mid.	Hates Chris	8 Simple Rules	What I Like
	557	541	39 FAM	Han, Montana	Wizards-Place	Sonny Chance	Suite Life	Overruled! (N)	Han, Montana	Wizards-Place	Latest Buzz
	555	545	67 TOON	Jimmy Two	Johnny Test	Spliced (N)	Total Drama	Stoked (N)	6TEEN	Futurama	King of the Hill
	575	583	11 CMT	According/Jim	Home Improve.	UnStable	UnStable	Amer. Funniest Home Videos	Reba		
	553	546	17 TREE	Franklin	Babar	Little Bear	Toopy & Binoo	Max & Ruby	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Ni Hao, Kai-lan
	505	398	19 TWN	EarthWatch One		EarthWatch One		EarthWatch Two			
	602	568	23 W	House-Sell	House-Sell	Supernanny	Love It or List It	Confidential	Confidential	Divine Design	
	521	560	24 TLC	Police Women of Maricopa		LA Ink (HDTV) (N)	Police Women of Maricopa	LA Ink (HDTV)		Police Women	
family	603	561	25 FOOD	Ultimate Recipe Showdown		Ace of Cakes	Ace of Cakes	Bitchin	Brian Bolkano	Ult. Recipe	
	615	520	26 A&E	The First 48 (HDTV) (N)		Fugitive Chronicles (N)	Fugitive Chronicles	Fugitive Chronicles	(10:01) The First 48	The First 48	
	617	522	32 SHOW	Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Relic Hunter		Safe Harbor (2006, Suspense)	Tracey Gold	Damages	
	601	562	33 SLICE	Last 10	Last 10	Chop Shop	Chop Shop	ET Canada	What Happen?	Real Housewives OC	
	-	633	34 ENC2	Jane-Dragon		(7:25) Once in a Blue Moon (1995, Fantasy)		We Were Soldiers *** (2002, War)	Mei Gibson, Madeleine Stowe.		
	520	505	35 DISC	(6) King Tut Unwrapped (N)		MythBusters		Daily Planet	King Tut Unwrapped "Life and Death"	Eighteen	
	620	523	36 BRAVO	Eighteen (2004, Drama)	Brendan Fletcher. (DVS)			Law & Order "Shadow"	Without a Trace	Without a Trace	
	294	650	40 WPCH	Law & Order: Special Victims	Seinfeld	Name Is Earl	Delta Farce * (2007, Comedy)	Larry the Cable Guy.		Delta Farce *	
	626	547	41 COM	Just for Laughs	Air Force	22 Minutes	Corner Gas	Name Is Earl	The Simpsons	South Park	Martin
	-	539	42 TCM	(6) Major Barbara (1941)		(8:15) Caesar and Cleopatra *** (1946, Historical Drama)	Vivien Leigh.			Pygmalion (1938)	
cable variety	628	584	43 SPIKE	(7:05) TNA Wrestling (HDTV)				(9:10) TNA Epics (HDTV) (N)	(10:10) MANswers	MANswers	
	522	516	45 HIST	Re-Inventors	Re-Inventors	Ice Road Truckers (HDTV)		Ax Men (HDTV)		Discoveries	
	627	528	46 SPACE	Human Target (N)		Lost (HDTV) (N)	InnerSpace (N)	Star Trek: Next Generation			
	-	-	47 AMC	(6) King Kong ** (1976, Fantasy)	Jeff Bridges.			Halloween 4: The Return of Michael Myers (1988, Horror)		King Kong	
	619	525	49 TROP	Planet Soap	Comeback	Reality	Whalever	Family Guy	Family Guy	Seinfeld	70s Show
	600	564	50 HGTV	House-Bryan	Real Renos	House Hunters	House Hunters	Holmes Inspection	House-Bryan	Real Renos	Holmes-Homes
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	526	507	92 VIVA	Medium		Cold Case		Psychic Inv.	Encounters	Judging Amy	Missing
	269	350	93 APTN	Wapros Bay	By the Rapids	Call of the Wild "Betrayal"		Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey ** (1991, Comedy)	Alex Winter	By the Rapids	
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Eighteen

On his 18th birthday, a young runaway (Paul Anthony) hears a tape from his grandfather recounting the day he turned 18 in the Second World War. Flashbacks to Grandpa's flight through French woods, with a wounded buddy in tow and the Germans on his heels, are interspersed with his grandson's wanderings through the city with his own buddy, a gay street hustler (Brendan Fletcher). That's Ian McKellen supplying the grandfather's voice. Alan Cumming also stars. 7 PM on BRAVO



Fugitive Chronicles

This new episode recounts the hunt for Christopher DiMeo and his girlfriend, whose drug-fueled crime spree through the New York suburbs in 2004 and early 2005 left three people dead — the owners of a Connecticut jewelry store and the manager of one on Long Island. They were taken into custody in February 2005 at a motel in Atlantic City, N.J. 8 PM on A&E

Love wants Gosling to play Cobain

PRODUCTION Courtney Love says the rumours that Twilight star Robert Pattinson has been handpicked to play Kurt Cobain in an upcoming biopic are silly and stupid.

But in an interview, Love said she can imagine Canadian actor Ryan Gosling in the role of her late husband. She said she could also see Scottish actor James McAvoy playing the part of Cobain, the frontman of the seminal grunge band Nirvana.

Love says she will likely never see the film — which is still in its embryonic production stages — because it would be too difficult to sit through.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Octomom to appear on Oprah

TV Nadya Suleman's attorney says the octuplets' mother will appear on The Oprah Winfrey Show next week and discuss how she is raising her 14 kids. Jeff Czech told the Orange County Register on Tuesday that Oprah sent a TV crew to film at Suleman's La Habra home last week.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Take a bite out of dandelions

Weed loathers bent on destroying the stubborn dandelion might well try to make peace with the plant by eating it. Go ahead and yank it out of the lawn — as long as no pesticides are used. Fans say the whole thing — the leaves, stem and root — is edible and even nutritious. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Tommy Burger Bar is this decade's upgrade of the classic burger joint. In place of red and white vinyl booths and jukeboxes are dark wood and flat-

screen TVs. Instead of egg creams, you get fancy variations on Caesars and highballs. But you can still get a cherry coke float (\$5), or thick and creamy milkshakes (\$6).

So how are the burgers? Unfortunately, a bit lacklustre.

The basic Tommy burger (\$10.50) is made with AAA Alberta Angus chuck. That's a good foundation but the patty was dry and flavourless, like someone forgot the seasonings or didn't want to offend.

We built our burgers with toppings (\$1.50-\$4.50) of our choice with mixed results. The maple

pepper bacon was a delicious add-on, while the gouda was bland and the fried onions were limp and oily.

Burgers come with tomato, lettuce, red onion, Tommy sauce and chipotle ketchup. You get your choice of sourdough bun, whole-wheat bun, or lettuce wrap as the burger envelope.

Both the sourdough bun and the thick-cut fries on the side were, as best as I can describe, meh.

Perhaps better luck can be had with the veggie patty, Kobe beef patty, or Spolumbo sausage ground with Tommy's beef.



You can build your own burger, starting at \$10.50, at Tommy Burger Bar.

Global Peasant blog online

- Travel along with Diane Thompson's culinary adventures in her Global Peasant blog.
- Check out metronews.ca/globalpeasant to find out what its like at a recipe testing for Beer Brats Sausages.



Dining out

GLOBAL VEGETARIAN Higher Ground Cafe (1126 Kensington Rd. N.W.) hosts a three-course vegetarian dinner prepared by Anahata Foods every Wednesday in April for \$19.

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In brief

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER Tired of cooking but want to stay in? Pick up a three-course takeout dinner (\$14.99) from any of Sunterra's six locations. This week's feast is Thai vegetable salad, lemongrass chicken breast with jasmine rice and veg, and coconut and mango rice pudding.

Reserve in advance (sunterra-market.com).

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Celebrity Buzz

Not mastering marriage

BUT HE'S TAKE A SWING AT PARRING THINGS UP SINCE HE'S ALREADY USED HIS MULLIGAN. YEAH, I WENT THERE He's gone to rehab and resumed his golf career, but Tiger Woods' marriage is as wobbly as ever sources are saying. People magazine reports.

The magazine notes Woods' wife Elin Nordegren skipped the golf star's big comeback at the Masters and was described as disgusted and outraged by his Nike commercial featuring a voiceover by his late father.

After Woods finished the tournament, com-

ing in fourth, Nordegren flew out of Florida without her husband and their two children — they were left with nannies — for a destination unknown, friends say.

"Elin was violently angry over this commercial and thought it was a cheesy thing to

do," one friend tells People.

"She wouldn't have gone near the Masters under any condition, but that just made her madder. She is over Tiger. I wouldn't be surprised if she files for divorce sometime soon."

So far, though, it's only been talk among friends, the magazine adds. No legal papers have been filed, and it hasn't even been confirmed that she's retained a divorce attorney.

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Did he touch Heidi's hieny?

OF COURSE HE DIDN'T! HE HAS A SILICONE ALLERGY Lauren Conrad is dismissing an Internet report alleging that Hills creator Adam DiVello sexually harassed Heidi Montag, usmagazine.com reports.

"Similar to most of my fellow MTV cast mates, I am in utter shock at the allegations made against Adam DiVello," she tells the website in a statement.

"Not only are they completely absurd, but they are 100 per cent without merit. Adam is a true professional and a wonderful person to work for."

Citing multiple sources,

celeb blogger Perez Hilton wrote Tuesday that DiVello allegedly touched Montag, 23, inappropriately on her buttocks and "lower back" after she underwent her 10 cosmetic procedures.

Montag and her husband Spencer Pratt "are very close to bringing legal action against the show," an insider told Hilton.

Sources also told Hilton that

DiVello allegedly made inappropriate advances toward Lauren Conrad, 24, denies.

An MTV spokesperson tells Us: "We have looked into this matter and the allegations made against Adam DiVello are completely false and without merit"

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The proof is in the pouf

She may be the self-proclaimed "Queen of Reality" but even Jersey Shore's Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi must admit that it's her hair that's become the biggest star of them all, people.com reports.

In a new video promoting Pantene's World's First Reality Hair Star competition — where one

winner will star in the company's first live commercial in May — the outspoken 22-year-old flaunts her dark locks while explaining just why her long tresses reign supreme.

"I have the greatest hair ever. It's thick, it's naturally straight and I can pretty much do whatever I want to it," she says. "My hair can have its own TV show."

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Taking to the stage (school)

HER DAD'S A DANCER, HER MOM'S AN POP IDOL, WEIRD THAT SHE WANTS TO PERFORM TOO Madonna's daughter has enrolled in a prestigious New York stage school, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Lourdes — the singer's 13-year-old child with fitness trainer Carlos Leon — currently takes acting classes in Manhattan, but is now said to have

auditioned for LaGuardia High School of Music and Art and Performing Arts, which is dubbed the "Fame school" due to its appearance in the movie Fame.

However, some students at the school are concerned the singer's daughter is getting preferential treatment by having a private audition, rather than the usual public one.

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Rekindling old flames?

OR JUST STOKING THE PR FIRE? Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel's notoriously on-and-off relationship is once again on the rocks as the singer cozies up to ex Cameron Diaz while shooting the romantic comedy Bad Teacher, reports Us Weekly.

Multiple sources tell Us Weekly that

While shooting, it's like "old times" for Timberlake and Diaz, who dated for four years before he began romancing Biel, 28, in 2007, a pal tells Us Weekly.

There's "lots of laughing, making fun of each other, kidding around off camera," the source says. "She's sassy with him — and slick, prancing around in tight clothes."

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Tweeting his harsh words

SORRY, MEANT EATING HIS HARSH WORDS After causing a stir with his Twitter comments, about Tiger Woods and his wife, Jim Carrey issued a mea culpa of sorts to his fans and followers, tvguide.com reports.

"To anyone whose grievances have chosen me as their cause, I would say first, that I recognize that tendency in myself, but if you knew me well, you'd see that your resentment has been misplaced. I wish every human being nothing but love and immeasurable happiness," Carrey said in a statement Tuesday.

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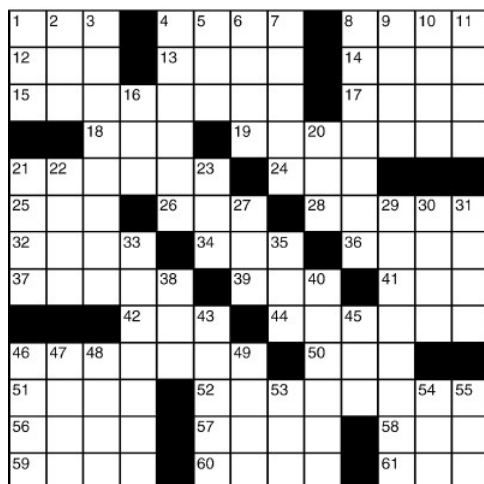
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1 In need of repair
4 Used a loom
8 Parisian pals
12 Prepare Easter eggs
13 Help a hood
14 Aching
15 Raze
17 No mere prank
18 Pussycat's partner
19 Cause for revolution
21 Hosts
24 "Pink Panther" actor Herbert
25 Evergreen variety
26 Jerry's pursuer
28 Moistened with drops
32 Snare
34 Violinist's need
36 Ms. Moore
37 Arrangement
39 Memorized
41 Cambridge sch.

42 Elmer, to Bugs
44 Getaway spot
46 Preps
50 Enthusiast
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52 Portray as satanic
56 Deserve
57 Culture medium
58 "— the ramparts ..."
59 Banner
60 Deteriorates
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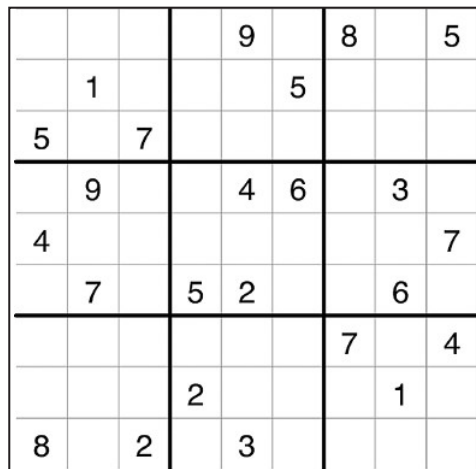
1 Peculiar
2 Caustic solution
3 Barack Obama, e.g.
4 Billfold
5 Japanese sash
6 Third piece?
7 — alcohol
8 Guilt-ridden
9 July 1969 landing site
10 Dr. Seuss' "If — the Zoo"
11 Alluring
16 Have debts
20 Filch

21 Small salamanders
22 Spongy terrain
23 Weep loudly
27 Broom closet item
29 Loss of a stripe
30 Eastern bigwig
31 Skater Katarina
33 Creamy dessert
35 Kids' card game
38 Luau bowlful
40 Famed operatic trio
43 Fragrant wood
45 Baltimore newspaper
46 Coral structure
47 Common pc. of Latin
48 Emanation
49 Lily variety
53 Wrestling surface
54 Last letter
55 Work unit

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.


PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

AFT VATS BAYS
MOO OPAL EGOS
INN OUT AND OUT
STEAD BIB
BOOB LURED
OUT TO SEA GALE
ASH SLANT NIB
HERB OUT OF GAS
USURP TILL
OHS SYNOD
OUT WITH IT ABA
WREN EURO VET

1	9	3	7	8	5	2	4	6
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6	8	5	9	4	2	7	3	1
7	5	1	4	2	6	3	8	9
8	4	9	3	5	1	6	2	7
2	3	6	8	7	9	1	5	4
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5	2	4	1	6	8	9	7	3

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Metro Recipe of the Day

Parmesan Crusted Chicken

Submitted by Paula Bowman

PREP TIME: 10 MINUTES

COOK TIME: 15 MINUTES

INGREDIENTS:

2 egg whites, lightly beaten
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
4 (6-7oz) skinless, boneless chicken breasts
2 cups finely grated Parmesan cheese
1 teaspoon fresh thyme leaves, chopped

METHOD:

1. Preheat broiler to high and set oven rack to top position. Lightly oil a rimmed sheet pan with olive oil and set aside.
2. Meanwhile, mix egg whites with Dijon mustard and set aside. Place chicken breasts on a cutting board. With a knife parallel to the cutting board, cut chicken breasts in half lengthwise to create two thin chicken

breast cutlets. Working with one cutlet at a time, dip chicken into egg white mixture and then coat in Parmesan cheese and place on prepared sheet pan.
3. Broil chicken breasts until crunchy and golden on one side, flip over and continue to cook on other side until cooked through, about 4 minutes per side. Toss carrots with walnuts just before serving. Divide chicken cutlets and carrot mixture among four plates and serve with any remaining broth from pan.

SERVES 4

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ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20


As an Aries you enjoy a battle of wits occasionally. You don't have to give in and walk away but you do have to recognize where the real power resides.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23


Try not to take your fears too seriously. This is only a passing phase so, let it pass.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21


If you come on too strong today you will almost certainly turn people against you. Get the balance right.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22


You don't have to sacrifice pleasure for duty today but if you do you will feel good about yourself.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21


Set yourself targets that are easy to reach. You may think you can do anything but it won't be that easy today.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21


If you try to fit in with others' ideas of how you should behave there will be disappointment all round.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22


The reason you have lost interest in something is because your attitude towards it has changed. Help others see it too

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20


This is not a good day to say or do anything that might upset people who are important to you, either in a personal or a professional sense.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23


There may be a thousand and one things you want to do but your time and your energy are limited, so don't overdo it.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18


If you come on too strong with your opinions today you will merely succeed in making other people hold on more tightly to their own.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22


This is not a good time to risk your hard-earned cash on risky enterprises. Be especially wary of people who talk a good deal.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20


You need to have more confidence in yourself. One of your ideas is not just good, it's great, and you should be shouting about it from the rooftops.



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